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FLAGRANT BREACH OF AGREEMENT WITH EDITORS' CONFERENCE

ONE DAY'S SUSPENSION OF NEWSPAPERS AS PROTEST

Non-publication Of Official Speeches & Honours' List

BOMBAY, December 21.

The Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference which met this afternoon at 5 p.m. in the Indian Merchants' Chamber Hall for the third day, concluded its deliberations at 8 p.m. after passing the following resolution:

"As a protest against the recent order passed by certain Provincial Governments involving a flagrant breach of the agreement reached with the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, the Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference recommends to all newspapers in India to suspend publication for one day to be fixed and announced by the President.

WITHDRAW THAT ORDER

"It also recommends to them not to publish until the order is withdrawn or otherwise directed by the President:

(i) all circulars from the Government Houses, (ii) New Year's Honours List, (iii) all speeches of members of the British Government, Government of India and Provincial Governments except portions thereof which contain decisions and announcements.

The Committee also passed another resolution appointing a subcommittee to go into the Constitution of the Conference passed at the Bombay session.

Earlier the Committee considered further developments arising out of the suspension for one day of Bombay papers.—United Press.

In Libya

BR. PATROLS CONTACT AXIS FORCES

Allies Consolidate Positions In Tunisia

LONDON, Dec. 21.

It is officially announced that British advanced patrols are in touch with enemy elements in the neighbourhood of Sultan.

The Morocco Radio on Sunday night broadcast the following communique from Allied Headquarters in North Africa:—

"On the northern and central sectors of the Tunisian front our troops are continuing to consolidate their positions. Our patrols were in frequent contact with the enemy.

"Allied aircraft attacked Sfax and direct hits were observed on the station building. From these operations all our aircraft returned safely."

CAIRO COMMUNIQUE

CAIRO: To-day's Middle East joint war communique states: "The enemy continued his withdrawal. Our forward patrols yesterday were in touch with elements of this forces in the neighbourhood of Sultan. Further east work of mine-clearing is proceeding continuously.

Air activity over the battle area was on a reduced scale although some Allied fighter-bombers operated against enemy transport on Sirte-Buerat road. Targets at Beurat were again bombed on the night of December 19|20. One Junkers 88, flying singly, was shot down in the sea yesterday and one Messerschmitt 110 which attacked one of our aircraft off the Tunisian coast was also destroyed. Three of our aircraft are missing.

U. S. TAKES OVER MOROCCO RADIO

An American spokesman from the Allied headquarters in London stated to-day that they had taken over the control of the Morocco Radio as from to-day and could rely on the reports from that source.

SOUTH AFRICANS NOT TO BLAME

PRETORIA:— Field Marshal Smuts revealed in a statement that a thorough inquiry has been held into the fall of Tobruk in Rommel's drive last summer.

"I have seen the report and you may take it from me that no blame rests on South Africa or any of the troops who surrendered there", said Field Marshal Smuts at a meeting of the Head Committee of the United Party in Transvaal.

SKIRMISHES WITH ENEMY

CAIRO, Dec. 21.

Yesterday was a day of continued skirmishing between the British advance troops and Rommel's retreating rearguards. Keeping up their remarkable rate of progress of 16 miles a day, British forces including New Zealanders reached a point above five miles west of Sultan, whence they deployed along a line running approximately south-east. Further back, the clearance of mines near Marblearch continues, but as new positions are reached, it is expected that the number of mines will be considerably fewer.—Reuter.

FOR BIG FLARE-UP IN MEDITERRANEAN

LONDON, Dec. 21.

The New York Radio said to-day that mighty armadas were being built up by the Allies and the Axis for new operations somewhere in the Mediterranean theatre.

The Radio quotes a Madrid report that great concentrations of warships and planes are being massed at Gibraltar.—Reuter.

ENEMY BOMBERS OVER BRITAIN

LONDON, Dec. 21

Early last night, there was slight enemy air activity over the coastal districts in north-east and east England.

Bombs were dropped at a few places. Some damage and casualties have been reported.—Reuter.

U. S. Forces Bomb Lashio

CHUNGKING, Dec. 21

United States Air Force in China bombed Lashio Terminus of the Burma Road in Upper Burma on Sunday afternoon.—Reuter.

FOR PEACE CONFERENCE

(From Our Own Correspondent)

NEW YORK, December 21.

According to "New York Times" an unofficial movement has been started in Canada to put forward claims of Ottawa as the logical meeting place for the Peace Conference when the time comes.

It is claimed Ottawa is a perfect halfway-house between London and Washington. Switzerland has been ruled out because of the destruction of railway communications and acute food shortage in Europe. London and Washington would not be suitable as they are principals in the settlement to be negotiated. Ottawa provides not only geographical convenience but an atmosphere of tranquillity and good human relationship.

Axis Leaders In Conference

BERLIN, December 21.

Hitler's conference to discuss the prosecution of war by Germany and Italy was attended by the Italian Foreign Minister Ciano and the Chief of General Staff Marshal Cavallero, Chief of the German High Command, Field Marshal Keitel, Foreign Minister Ribbentrop and Goering. This was announced in one of the two special communiques issued in Berlin to-night. "Complete agreement was reached on all questions discussed," the communique said.

The second communique announced a conference between the Axis leaders and M. Laval.

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German Retreat On Central Don Front

Russians Throwing Forward "Fantastic Masses Of Tanks"

BERLIN, December 21.

Monday's German 'communique' says that on the Central Don Front, the enemy, who has been attacking with a formidable concentration of tank units, succeeded in breaking through into the German defensive front.

To meet the threat to their flank the Germans retreated to positions prepared beforehand.

Fighting continues with unabated fury.

"Unheard Of Pressure"

LONDON:—From Reuter's special correspondent at Stockholm:—It was admitted in Berlin to-day that the situation on the Middle Don front is "grave" according to the Berlin correspondent of the German-controlled Scandinavian "Telegraph Bureau." He stated that German and Italian troops are exposed to "unheard of pressure." At points they have been compelled to "move their lines to the west."

The correspondent added: "The intensity of the fighting is growing continuously. The Russians are throwing forward fantastic masses of tanks and infantry."

According to the Berlin correspondent of the "Nya Dagligt Allehanda", the Soviet breakthrought was most successful in the sector held by the Italians.

NAZIS IN FULL RETREAT

Reuter's special correspondent at Moscow wires:

General Vatoutin's troops have cut the Voronezh-Rostov railway 25 miles above the junction of Millerovo. These successes come after the swift five-day advance by Red Army men across the Don. The Germans are in full retreat towards the south-west preparing to fall back if necessary on their base at Voroshilovgrad.

AMERICAN REACTION

NEW YORK: The New Russian offensive has raised hopes among American broadcasters that the Red Army may be able to reach Rostov on the Don and cut off Hitler's armies in the Caucasus. The announcers are impressed by the size and powerful nature of the new Soviet drives.

The press commentator Maj. Fielding Eliot suggests that the Germans are faced with loss of their entire Caucasian army.—Reuter.

Forde Warns Aussies

MELBOURNE, Dec. 21.

Giving Australians a new invasion warning to-day, the Army Minister Mr. F. M. Forde said, "Though the Japanese southern drive has been checked with considerable losses, the indications are that we must be prepared to face the prospect of further strong enemy drives with the object of invading Australia and cutting her off from her Allies. Some commentators see in the present successes in the South-West Pacific a turning point in the war for the Japanese. Although I hope that that point has been reached it is still a mere wish. The Australian army is fast approaching its maximum strength".—Reuter.

R.A.F. BOMBS DUISBERG

LONDON, December 21.

An Air Ministry communique states: Last night a strong force of our bombers attacked industrial objectives in Duisberg in clear weather and bright moonlight. The attack was heavy and concentrated and many large fires were left burning.

On intruder operations over France and Low Countries, aircraft of the Fighter Command attacked railway engines and other targets.

Eleven of our bombers are missing.

LORD APSLEY KILLED IN AIR CRASH

Lt.-Col. Lord Apsley, Member of Parliament and son and heir of Earl of Bathurst has been killed in an air crash in the Middle East.

NAZI THREAT TO USE POISON GAS

LONDON, December 21.

According to information reaching Yugoslav Government circles in London, the Germans are threatening to use gas to frighten the people of Yugoslavia, following a fresh wave of guerilla activity of Gen. Mihallovitch's forces.

The Germans have increased reprisals against the Serbs burning down villages, and arresting civilians including women and children.—Reuter.

Japanese Push In E. Asia?

(From Our Correspondent)

CHUNGKING, Dec. 21.

Welcoming the Allied advance into Burma informed Chinese circles however, caution against "undue" optimism.

Chinese circles added that it would be most difficult task because the terrain over which the Allies must advance is favourable for Japanese defence and strategy.

Therefore it is thought that though operation may result in the recapture of certain sections but it is not likely that the Allies have sufficient material and air support to recapture the Burma Road.

It is stated Japanese have recently completed excellent supply routes from Bangkok to Rangoon and other parts of lower Burma.

Chinese are anxious to participate in the general offensive but need additional equipment before starting any heavy action on the Salween front, where the Japanese have strong artillery-defended positions.

The same quarters predict a major Jap push in East Asia basing the belief on the reports that the enemy has replaced seasoned troops on Chinese fronts by recruits. A military erpert said that either Burma or Siberia would be the logical area of the Japanese offensive.

It is asserted the "explosion" would be conducted by land forces, since Japanese do not want to risk their navy in another major engagement with the United States.

If Allies Attack Italy

Dr. Schacht On Mission To Remove Rome's Valuables For Safety

LONDON, Dec. 21.

The Moscow radio said to-day that a committee has been set up under Dr. Schacht to make "A census of Italy's national wealth" and to check all industrial, financial, cultural and other valuables removed to Germany "for safety" in case Italy is attacked by the Allies.

Several members of the Committee will leave for Italy shortly. —Reuter.

DUCE DENOUNCED ON ROME RADIO

(From Our Own Correspondent)

A woman's ghostly voice broke in yesterday night over the Rome radio, denouncing Mussolini.

INDIAN REGIMENT OCCUPIES MAUNGDAW

NEW DELHI, Dec. 21.

A message, dated December 17 from an Indian Army observer with the Allied troops in North Arakan says that a famous Indian regiment occupied Maungdaw during the night without the firing of a shot. Similarly, Buthidaung, 17 miles to the north, the other main Japanese stronghold in this area, was re-entered bloodlessly by Indian and British north country soldiers.

Most of the Jap troops from both Maungdaw and Buthidaung have probably sought the sanctuary of Akyab, well to the south-east, though some may have halted at Rathendaung, which is a sort of half-way house and which the R. A. F. bombed. Already our men are pushing ahead beyond the townships and by this time some of them are in Alethang-Yaw, which has an airfield and is on the coast about eleven miles below Maungdaw. Here again they were unopposed.

STOP PRESS

RAIDERS OVER ENGLAND

LONDON: Monday afternoon four enemy fighters made a brief appearance over a coastal area in south-east England. Slight damage was done and one person was killed by machine-gun fire."

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JAP BOMBERS ALSO RAID CHITTAGONG

India Govt. Air Officials To Fly To Calcutta

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CALCUTTA, December 21.

It is learnt about half-a-dozen enemy planes took part in last night's raid in the Calcutta area. A number of bombs were dropped in certain suburban areas in a scattered fashion. Nothing of importance was hit by these bombs which were high explosive bombs of light calibre.

Our fighters took off to intercept the raiders but nothing is yet known whether there was any actual air combat.

It is learnt about a dozen bombs were dropped in the areas outside the city. Fire was started in one place which was quickly extinguished.

BACK TO NORMAL

The morale of the public has been high and in the areas affected normal life is proceeding. The A.R.P. services were only lightly involved last night, but whatever they were called upon to do, they did promptly, and efficiently.

An Associated Press representative visited one of the spots bombed last night. He saw a small crater, but very little damage to property. He talked to the men and found them unperturbed.

Raid On Chittagong

A 'communique' states:—

In addition to the attack on Calcutta last night two enemy aircraft dropped bombs on the Chittagong area. No damage or casualties are so far reported.

R.A.F. Blenheims yesterday attacked Magwe destroying one Jap aircraft without loss to themselves.

Well Done, Calcutta! Says Linlithgow

H.E. the Viceroy has sent the following telegram to the Governor of Bengal:—

"I am glad to learn that the city's defences have proved so effective; that damage and casualties are light and that morale is high. Yours is the first capital city in India to suffer in this war a baptism of fire and her citizens have provided an admirable example of steadiness and fortitude. Well done Calcutta!"

TOOK IT WITH STOUT HEART, SAYS HUQ

"We are all delighted to find that Calcutta has taken its first experience of enemy night air attack with the stout heart without the morale of the people being shaken in the least", observed Mr A. K. Fazlul Huq, Chief Minister, Bengal, in a message on the effect of the first bombing on the Calcutta area. "We are all prepared", Mr. Huq added "to face our fate with calm courage and robust optimism. There is no doubt that victory will be ours."

Replying to queries asking for this information the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation said that this could only be given by Government.

LABOUR KEEPS UP MORALE

CALCUTTA: Interviewed by the "Associated Press" on the effect of last night's raid on Labour in the city and suburbs, Mr. A. Hughes, Labour Commissioner with the Government of Bengal, said that there was full attendance this morning in mills and in engineering firms. In fact some engineering firms reported better attendance than on normal Monday mornings. "The morale of the Labour is extremely high" he added.

INDIA GOVT. AIR OFFICIALS TO VISIT BOMBED CITIES

NEW DELHI: Mr. A. W. Ibbotson, Director-General Civil Defence and Secretary Civil Defence Department, Government of India, accompanied by Lt.-Col. C. J. Toyne, Deputy Director (operations and training) Civil Defence Department, Lt.-Col. B. K. Sheorey, Assistant Director-General (A. R. P.) I. M. S. and Wing Commander A. H. S. Steel-Perkins, Area Adviser Civil Defence Department, propose to fly to Calcutta immediately, the object being to watch progress and see in what ways the Government of India can help the Bengal Government in preparing for any future raids

Mr. Ibbotson and Wing Commander Steel-Perkins will also visit Chittagong

CHITTAGONG: The Director General of Posts and Telegraphs paid a flying visit to Chittagong last week and was present when there were enemy raids. Local employees of the Posts and Telegraphs Department kept excellent morale and earned the admiration of the authorities. It is learnt that the local staff have been granted free rations.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS

Light Casualties And Slight Damage

A Delhi 'communique to-day said that on the night of Sunday enemy aircraft attacked the Calcutta area. Air raid warning was sounded at 22-17 hours and lasted for aproximately two hours.

Reports so far indicate that few bombs were dropped and were widely dispersed. Civilian casualties were extremely light, and damage was slight. There were no military casualties. No damage was caused to mlitary installations.

FIGHTERS TAKE TO AIR

It is believed the raiders were flying very high. Fighters were up and ready and could be heard flying in large numbers over the town.

Air raid warning was sounded at 10-20 p. m. which was over an hour before the raiders arrived over Calcutta. They stayed about half an hour, the all clear being sounded at midnight.

Special editions of several newspapers were brought out this morning carrying the news of the raid on Calcutta area.

WHAT WASHINGTON THOUGHT

WASHINGTON: The British advance into Burma is warmly welcomed by observers in Washington. High Chinese military authorities in the United States have for some time asserted that a new Japanese attack, probably against India, was inevitable, and have urged a new offensive in the Pacific.

Only by calling the tune to which Japan must dance could Allied safety in the Pacific be maintained, stated one Chinese spokesman. A strong Chinese offensive now co-ordinated with the Burma attack would, it is believed, lead to the clearing of Burma and the deliverance of India from the threat of conquest. The recaptured territory could then be used for new attacks against the swollen Japanese octopus.

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(Sd.) N. M. DALAL,
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Dated 22nd Dec. 1942.
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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

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M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner,
for the City of Bombay,
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 7th November, 1942.
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LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS To-day

Hindu: Magsar Shud 15, 1999
Muslim: Jilhej 13, 1361
Parsi: Tir 19, 1312
Sunrise: 6-9 a.m. Sunset: 7-5 p.m.
Hightide: 0-8, 11-45. Lowtide: 5-09, 17-42.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CENTRAL—"Ten O'Clock" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Beyond the Blue Horizon" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
METRO—"Her Cardboard Lover" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Defeat of the Germans Near Moscow 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Vasant Sena" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Ankh Michaoli" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Kipling's Jungle Book" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
REGAL: "Eagle Squadron" 4, 6-30 and 9-30
EROS—"This Above All" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
OPERA HOUSE—"Bhakta Surdas" 2-30, 5 7-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON: "Ek Raat" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Bhakta Kabir" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
PARADISE—"So You Won't Talk" 4-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
HINDMATA—"Bharat Milap" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"The Thief of Bagdad" 4 6-30 and 10 p.m.
AURORA—"Rio Rita" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
APOLLO—"Nai Roshni" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Khan-Daan" 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m.
SUPER—"Gora Kumbhar" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
ROXY—"Mera Gaon" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CITY LIGHT—"Doctor" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Roti" Time as usual.
STRAND—"Bad Men of Missouri" 2-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Damaji" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATHS

Mr. Shivarao V. Gulvadi, aged 68, passed away at the Singhanee Hospital, Bombay, on 19th December, after a long and protracted illness. Friends and relatives please accept this as information.

Vaidya Appashastri alias Krishnaji Narayan Sathe, the well-known Ayurvedic Practitioner of Bombay, died at his residence 'Ayurved Bhavan' 24, Kakadwadi, Bombay 4, on Saturday, the 19th December at about midnight.

TO-DAYS ENGAGEMENTS

IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE: The next meeting of the Improvements Committee will be held on Tuesday (5th January, 1943) at 2-30 p.m. (B.T.).

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE: The next meeting of the Standing Committee will be held at 2-30 p.m on December 23.

INTER-SCHOOL ELOCUTION COMPETITION: The Antonio de Souza High School Hall, Byculla, was the venue of a keen and interesting Elocution Competition on Sunday. The Master's Tutorial High School (Girls' Section) won the Trophy. St. Stanislaus' High School and St. Andrew's High School tied for the second place. Trophies for individual merit were won by Master Clifford D'Cruz of St. Stanislaus and Miss Sofie Hamdani of St. Andrews, and Miss Almaza Nazaroff of Jacob Sassoons. M. S. Noronha Esq., Judge, Small Causes Court, presided and distributed the trophies.

PRANLAL DWIVEDI TO BE HONOURED: In honour of Mr. Prabhulal Dwivedi, there will be a public meeting at 5-30 p.m. at Princess Theatre, Bhangwadi, Mr. Chandravadan Mehta presiding, to-day (Tuesday).

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: "Transmission time on telegrams for Karachi, Bangalore and New Delhi is now normal."

POSTAL NOTICE: Friday the 25th December 1942 and Friday, the 1st January 1943 will be Post and Telegraph Holidays on account of Christmas and New Year Days, respectively.

All the Departments of the Bombay G. P. O. and the Town Sub-Offices including the telegraph branches will observe on these days the same working hours as on Sundays.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS COMMITTEE: The opening ceremony of an Exhibition of A.R.P. and Safety First Models and Charts was held in the Gilder Tank Building on Friday, when Mr. M. D. Bhat, the Municipal Commissioner presided. The Exhibition was opened by Mr. M. R. A. Baig, the Sheriff of Bombay.

At the commencement Miss Khandvala, the Secretary of the Schools Committee gave a short account of the measures taken for training teachers in A.R.P. and First Aid Courses. Out of a staff of 2,550 teachers about 1,460 were trained in the short or long course in A.R.P. and about 830 teachers had received training in First Aid.

The Municipal Commissioner emphasized the importance of the necessity for each and every citizen to receive training in A.R.P. and to know what should be done by the citizens in the event of an Air Raid.

Mr. M. R. A. Baig, Sheriff of Bombay, gave a short account of the schemes that the Civil Defence Committee proposed to introduce for the Safety of the Citizens of Bombay. He referred to the Fire Fighting Services and Casualty Services and appealed to the audience to volunteer their services by joining in large numbers the Fire Fighting Units and First Aid Units.

SARKAR TO VISIT BOMBAY

NEW DELHI, Dec. 21.

A conference of the Commerce Department representatives with the Millowners' Association with regard to standard cloth has been fixed at Bombay on January 29 and 30, 1943. The Commerce Member Mr. N. R. Sarkar will leave Delhi for Bombay on January 27, in connection with this Conference. Mr. N. R. Sarkar will preside.

OTHER MEETINGS

The Commerce Member has fixed a number of other meetings during his stay at Bombay. The Board of Scientific and Industrial Research will meet there on January 30 and the Governing Body of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research on February 3. The Export Advisory Council will meet on February 2. The meetings of the War Risk Insurance Advisory Committee and of Insurance Advisory Committee will be held on February 1 and 4 respectively. Mr. Sarkar will leave for Delhi on February 5.—A.P.

NEW DELHI: Sir Sultan Ahmed, Law Member, will leave Delhi on the morning of Tuesday, the 22nd December for a visit to Patna. He will return to Delhi about the 25th of January.

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TO-DAY ON RADIO

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Dulari Bai 5-10 Zinda Hasan. 5-25 Chanda Bai. 5-35 L. C. Mathur. 5-50 Dulari Bai. 6 Narain Rao Vyas. 6-45 Chanda Bai. 6-55 P. S. Mukerji: 7 Kitaboh ki Baten. 7-15 L. C. Mathur. 7-30 Men of Sparta. 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 Narain Rao Vyas; 8-45 Delhi radio orchestra. 8-55 Jawahi hamla. 9-30 B B C news. 9-45 Narain Rao Vyas; 10 L. C. Mathur. 10-10 Zinda Hasan. 10-20 Dulari Bai. 10-30 Chanda Bai. 10-40 A film dhun on clarionet. 10-45 Zinda Hasan.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)

8 a.m. Sitar recital: 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-30 A. P. Narayan Gaonkar. 8-40 R. A. Paingankar: 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Gottuvadyam solo. 9-25 Shamala Mazgaonkar. 9-35 Ghazals. 9-45 Haji Mohammad 12-30 p.m. Sindhi Kafi. 12-45 News in Marathi. 12-50 News in Gujarati. 12-55 News in Hindustani. 1 Marathi duets. 1-30 News in English. 1-40 to 2 Lunch-hour music. 2 to 2-10 Sapper Simpson—Vocal recital of music. 2-10 to 2-30 Lunch-hour music. 4-20 School broadcast. 5 To-morrow. 5-5 Yusuf Husain. 5-25 R. A. Paingankar: 5-40 Haji Mohammad. 5-55 Local news and announcements. 6 Children's half-hour (Gujarati). 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani 6-45 News commentary (Gujarati). 6-50 Mirabai bhajan. 7 Authors beware—3. 7-15 Shamala Mazgaonkar. 7-45 News in Marathi. 7-55 News in Gujarati. 8-5 Violin duet: 8-15 Geets. 8-30 This thing called music. 8-45 Radio reconnaissance. 9 News in Hindustani 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Julia Wortmann: 9-55 Interlude. 10 Eddie jason: 10-20 Waltzes.

Bombay II—Programme

49.3 metres (6,085 kc/s.)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Three bhajans. 8-15 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Yusuf Husain. 9 Interlude. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7 240 kc/s.)

12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Bombay 1.

49.3 metres (6,085 kc/s.)

4-20 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s.)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Haji Mohammad. 7-55 A. P Narayangaonkar. 8-5 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Yusuf Husain. 9-15 R. A. Paingankar: 9-25 A. P. Narayangaonkar. 9-45 Nisar Ahmed. 10 Aav Bala-Pakad Gala 10-30 Shamala Mazgaonkar.

Municipal Workers Procession To The Corporation Hall

In an urgent meeting of the Managing Committee of the Municipal Workers' Union held on 19th Dec. 1942, to consider the hardship caused to the Municipal workers on account of the food situation and the abnormal rise in the cost of living of the workers it was resolved to take out a procession of the Municipal workers of all the Departments of the Municipality in the month of January 1943 to the Corporation Hall to demand the long promised cheap grain shops on credit against salaries earned by the workers in all the Departments of the Municipality and to demand at least Rs. 10/8. Dear food allowance from the month of November 1942 in accordance to the Union letter dated the 8th Dec. 1942 to the Municipal Commissioner and the Corporation.

"INCOME-TAX ACT—AN ILLOGICAL CODE"

BOMBAY, Monday.

The iniquities and anomalies of the Indian Income-tax Act were dealt with by Mr. R. K. Dalal speaking on "some tax anomalies" at the Commerce Graduates Association Hall on Monday evening Mr F. R. Merchant presided.

Justifying the characterisation of the Indian Income-tax Act as "an illogical code" by an eminent judge, Mr. Dalal stated that the Income-tax Act had not laid down a clear definition of Income and the world "Assessment" was used in many different senses in the Act.

He described the distinction made in the Act between a "resident", "a non-resident" and one who was "not ordinarily resident" in British India and stated that these distinctions really amounted to discrimination between a national and a non-national. He stressed that the reciprocity between the United Kingdom and India in the matter of double income-tax relief was not really reciprocal. During the year ended March 31, 1940, the English Exchequer had given a relief of only Rs. five lakhs while the Government of India had given a relief of Rs. 93 lakhs. A poor country like India could not bear such refunds.

Mr. Dalal criticised the provisions of the Act which had artificially created a national income and cited various items which was regarded as capital in other Empire countries but were deemed "income" under the Indian Act.

Further he stated the Act was full of inequities while all the Penal provisions of the British Act had been taken over by the Indian Act the relief provisions were carefully omitted.

He opined that it was these anomalies and inequities which had made the tax administration unpopular and had led to unnatural tax evasions.

AFRICA SHIPPERS' ASSOCIATION: A general meeting of the Africa Shippers' Association will be held to-day (Tuesday), at 5 p.m. in Sheth Dawoodbhai's office Gulissan, opposite Metro Cinema.

The deputation of the Association which had been to New Delhi to interview Hon. Mr. Sarkar and Hon. Mr. Aney has returned yesterday.

A complete and detailed account will be placed before the meeting as to what happened at the interviews.

Sind Govt. Takes Up Rice Export Monopoly

KARACHI, Dec. 21.

The Sind Government has decided that private trading in rice for export shall not be allowed. No person will be granted a permit to export rice. Hereafter the consignee in all cases be the Price Controller of the importing area. Similar will be the arrangements in the case of "bajri" and "jowar".—A. P.

A.-I. Weather Report

POONA, Dec. 21.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on December 17:—

Allahabad 80 57 nil; Bombay 82 66 nil; Calcutta 80 60 nil; Cawnpore 78 57 nil; Cuttack 78 68 nil; Darjeeling 52 35 nil; Delhi 64 48 nil; Dehra Dun 64 43 T; Jacobabad 73 47 nil; Karachi 76 58 nil; Lahore 64 45 nil; Lucknow 76 49 nil; Madras 79 74 7.0; Nagpur 85 59 nil; Patna 79 57 nil; Peshawar 64 43 nil; Shillong 63 34 nil; Simla 44 33 T.—A.P.

Alipur Records 'Quake Shock

CALCUTTA, Dec. 21

An earthquake shock of great intensity at its origin about 3,160 miles away was recorded by the Alipur Seismograph at 20/41 hours (I.S.T.) on Sunday, December 20.

The epicentral region is probably in Turkey in the neighbourhood of latitude 40.5 degrees north and longitude 38.5 degrees east.—A.P.

New Asiatic Insurance Co.

The directors of the New Asiatic Insurance Co., Ltd., New Delhi, have decided to issue 4,00,000 shares of Rs 10 each. The company was established in 1933 with an initial capital of Rs. 5,00,000 to undertake life insurance business. The capital was increased last year to Rs. 15,00,000 when the shares were issued at a premium of as. 4. Having achieved its mission, the company now proposes to extend its activities to general insurance business and has, therefore, issued additional capital this year. On the board of directors are leading business men, with Mr. B. M. Birla as chairman.

Civil Defence Is For People

"If the Joint Civil Defence Committee is asking the people of the City to get themselves prepared to meet all eventualities of an enemy attack, they were doing so for the benefit and welfare of the people themselves and every citizen should consider it his duty to be fully prepared," said Mr. M. D. Bhat, Municipal Commissioner addressing a gathering of over 5,000 people. The meeting had been organised by the E. Ward Civil Defence Committee on a maidan in Love Lane Byculla.

Half a dozen Educational films pertaining to Civil Defence activities and how people should act in an emergency, were exhibited at the meeting.

Dr. G. R. Pradhan, the Chief Fire Guard explained the scheme of Firewatching.

HIGH COMMAND FOR U. S. CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.

Legislation is now being drafted for streamlining business in the United States Congress and creating a Congressional High Command for co-ordination of its war work and includes "question hour" on the lines of that in the British House of Commons.

This would allow Cabinet Ministers, although they are not members of Congress, to take part in the debate on the floor of the House but not to vote.

The Americans have lent their Government more than 10,000 million dollars this month in the greatest "Lend For War" effort of any similar period in United States history, the Secretary of the Treasury Mr. Morgenthau announced to-day.

This, he said, was the "sort of news the Axis leaders dread to hear."

Mysterious Death Of "The Millionaire Kid"

WEST PALM BEACH (Florida), Dec. 21.

The body of Mr. Bynon D. Chandler aged 62, American millionaire, was found floating to-day in Lake Worth with a bullet wound in the chest.

Chandler, known as "the millionaire kid" when he entered Broadway Scene at the age of 23, inherited a million dollars from his grandfather and another from his father. His fourth wife divorced him last February.—Reuter.

ER RUBBER MISSION TO INDIA

NEW DELHI, Dec. 21.

The British Ministry of Supply is sending out to India a Mission to investigate the present condition of the rubber industry in this country. The mission consists of Mr. George Fellows, a former Ceylon rubber planter and Mr J. C. Innes, Vice-Chairman of the Rubber Growers' Association. Before coming to India, the Mission will visit Ceylon. Mr. Fellows has already arrived here and Mr. Innes is expected to reach Ceylon shortly.—A.P.

CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT GIFT FROM GOVERNMENT

CALCUTTA December 21.

The Calcutta Corporation discussed the award of the Labour Commissioner with the Government of Bengal recommending the payment of an increased dearness allowance to its employees.

A resolution pointing out that the Corporation had no objection to make payment as recommended by the Labour Commissioner provided that Government allowed a subvention of an equivalent amount by way of gift to it in view of the fact that the financial position of the Corporation had made it impossible for it to meet the cost of the extra payment of dearness allowance recommended by the Labour Commissioner was passed at the meeting.

Regarding the Labour Commissioner's recommendation for opening cheap food grain shops for the employees the Corporation asked Government to arrange for the supply of foodstuffs and other articles at prices as near pre-war prices as possible.—A. P.

MUSLIM COLLEGE IN SIND

KARACHI December 21.

Sind will have the first Muslim College in June, 1943. The Sind Madressa Board whose President is Pir Illahibux, Education Minister, has taken initiative in the matter. It will make a start with classes upto Intermediate Arts and will be a full-fledged college in 1944. Efforts to establish a separate college for women are also being made.—United Press.

REVIVING "GENUINE PAKISTAN OF RASUL"

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

The decision to call "An All-India Muslim Conference at Calcutta soon for the organisation of a properly constituted All-India Democratic or Progressive Muslim League" was unanimously taken by an emergent joint meeting of the Working Committee of the Nikhil Banga Bengali Musalman Samity and the Nikhil Banga Bengali Musalman Students' Samity to-day.

The proposed League, the resolution stated, would "revive the genuine Muslim League and genuine Pakistan of Rasul, embodying the 'political Mozahab' or great League of Islam and the democratic ideal of Medina."

The meeting proposed that Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, Premier of Bengal, or Mr. Allahbux, ex-Premier of Sind, should preside over the Conference. The final election of the President will be made by the Reception Committee, to be formed soon.—A.P.

SARAT CHANDRA CHATTERJEE

New Book Throws Interesting Light On Great Novelist

Padma Publications Ltd., the enterprising firm of publishers, are bringing out to-day an interesting little book on late Sarat Chandra Chatterjee, the famous Bengali novelist, whose works have achieved popularity in practically every Indian language. Written by Professor Humayun Kabir, the brilliant young Bengali litterateur and scholar, with an Introduction by Yusuf Meherally, this is the first in the "Life And Letters Series" that the same firm proposes to publish. Excellently produced, the book is priced at Re. 1/4

SETH GOVINDJI TULSIDAS CHARITY TRUST

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1940.

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
To Balance of Cash as on 1st April, 1939, at Imperial Bank		2,647	5 11	By payments to Vanita Vishram for disbursements	18,700	0	0
„ Interest on:—				„ Bank charges	298	0	0
3½% G.P. Notes	1,169 8 0			„ Balance of Cash as on 31st March 1940 at Imperial Bank	15,483	9	11
5% G.P. Notes	26,895 1 0						
4% B. P. T. Bonds	777 3 0						
4% B. M. Debentures.	2,992 8 0	31,834	4 0				
	Rs.	34,481	9 11		Rs.	34,481	9 11

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RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
To Balance of Cash as on 1st April 1940 at Imperial Bank.		15,483	9 11	By Payment to Vanita Vishram for disbursements	20,900	0	0
„ Interest on:—				„ Bank charges.	453	8	0
3% G.P. Notes	1,169 8 0			„ Audit Fees.	600	0	0
5% G.P. Notes	8,965 0 0			„ Printing & Stationery	1,026	13	0
5% B.M. Debentures	518 2 0			„ Purchase of 3% G.P. Notes of F.V. of Rs. 2,80,000/-	2,59,932	9	8
4% B.P.T. Bonds	1,995 0 0	12,647	10 0	„ Purchase of 5% B.M. Debentures of F.V. of 95,000/-	1,08,695	9	3
„ Amount received on Redemption of 5% G.P. Notes 1940-43 of F.V. of 3,59,500/-		3,68,465	0 0	„ Balance of Cash as on 31st March 1941 at Imperial Bank	4,987	12	0
	Rs.	3,96,596	3 11		Rs.	3,96,596	3 11

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1940.

RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
To Balance of Cash as on 1st April, 1939.		956	7 9	By Lady Superintendent Salary	2,155	12	5
„ Receipt from G. T. Trust		13,556	5 4	„ Establishment Expenses	8,472	4	0
„ Examination Paper Moneys		265	1 0	„ Land Tax.	28	4	11
„ School Fees Donations		5	0 0	„ Dead Stock.	335	10	0
„ Donations.		10	0 0	„ Purchase of Books.	269	0	0
„ Miscellaneous Income.		4	13 0	„ Postages & Telegrams	14	1	2
				„ Printing & Typing charges	58	13	0
				„ Building repairs.	28	10	0
				„ Sewing & Embroidery charges	14	14	0
				„ Travelling expenses	9	2	0
				„ Laboratory „	106	3	3
				„ Sport „	1	15	9
				„ Water Tax.	39	3	5
				„ Provident Fund Contribution	648	10	6
				„ Examination Expenses.	286	10	9
				„ Prize Distribution.	27	10	0
				„ Construction work.	1,206	5	4
				„ Sundry Expenses.	135	2	3
				„ Balance of Cash as on 31st March 1940.	959	6	4
	Rs.	14,797	11 1		Rs.	14,797	11 1

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GOVINDJI TULSIDAS TRUST. (VANITA VISHRAM GIRLS SCHOOL)

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1941.

RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
To Balance of Cash as on 1st April, 1940		959	6 4	By Lady Superintendent's Salary, clerks Salaries etc.	2,225	4	7
„ Receipts from Govindji Tulsidas Trust	10,332	0 0		„ Establishment Expenses	8,293	2	4
„ Examination Papers Monies	294	4 0		„ Land Tax	28	4	11
„ School Fees	409	6 0		„ Dead Stock Furniture	83	10	0
„ Miscellaneous Income	2	0 0		„ Books, Papers, Magazines Expenses Account	210	3	6
				„ Postages & Telegrams	18	7	3
				„ Printing & Typing Account	4	14	0
				„ Repairs	10	0	0
				„ Sewing & Embroidery Expenses	2	9	6
				„ Travelling Expenses	7	0	0
				„ Sundry Expenses	76	10	3
				„ Laboratory Expenses	72	13	3
				„ Water Tax	6	3	3
				„ Provident Fund & Contribution	632	4	0
				„ Examination Papers Printing Expenses	318	2	3
				„ Prize Distribution	2	13	0
				„ Balance of Cash as on 31st March, 1941	2	10	3
	Rs.	11,997	0 4		Rs.	11,997	0 4

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RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
To Balance of Cash as on 1st April, 1939		383	9 1	By Lady Superintendent Salary, Clerks Salary, etc.	1,975	12	5
„ Receipts from G. T. Trust		8,278	10 5	„ Establishment Expenses	1,298	12	9
„ Boarders Fees		480	4 4	„ Messing charges	3,427	12	6
„ Sewing & Embroidery Income		78	11 6	„ Electric charges	217	6	9
„ Miscellaneous Income		5	0 0	„ Land Tax charges	28	4	11
„ Donations		15	5 0	„ Post & Telegrams	6	12	1
				„ Travelling Expenses	12	8	0
				„ Purchase of Books	111	11	0
				„ Sewing & Embroidery charges	111	10	0
				„ Dead Stock	47	0	0
				„ Utensils Expenses	25	12	0
				„ Printing & Typing	21	1	0
				„ Water Tax	39	3	7
				„ Purchase of Cloth	224	6	0
				„ Building repairs	55	13	0
				„ Medicines	30	15	6
				„ Provident Fund Contribution	197	6	6
				„ Construction work	768	10	6
				„ Sundry expenses	232	13	3
				„ Balance of Cash on hand as on 31st March, 1940	407	12	8
	Rs.	9,241	8 4		Rs.	9,241	8 4

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RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
To Balance of Cash as on 1st April, 1940		407	12 8	By Lady Superintendent's Salary, Clerks Salary, etc.	2,047	4	7
„ Receipt from G. T. Trust	6,065	0 0		„ Establishment Expenses	1,392	10	0
„ Boarders Fees	422	8 10		„ Land Tax	28	4	11
„ Sewing & Embroidery Income	35	3 0		„ Messing charges	2,488	12	3
„ Donations	5	8 0		„ Electric charges	146	6	0
„ Miscellaneous Receipts	2	0 0		„ Postages & Telegrams	9	12	0
				„ Travelling Expenses	20	0	0
				„ Purchase of Books	20	3	6
				„ Sewing & Embroidery Expenses	33	6	6
				„ Tinning Expenses	7	5	6
				„ Purchase of Utensils	9	3	0
				„ Water Tax	45	6	3
				„ Sundry Expenses	128	6	9
				„ Provident Fund Contribution	205	9	0
				„ Purchase of Cloth	53	13	0
				„ Medicines	2	10	0
				„ Expenses on erection of Statue	234	3	0
				„ Balance of Cash as on 31st March, 1941	64	12	3
	Rs.	6,938	0 6		Rs.	6,938	0 6

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HITLER IN CONFERENCE

Herr Hitler has been holding conferences at his headquarters. One of these concerned France which was attended by M. Laval and Marshal Goering, von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano. The other related to the prosecution of the war by Germany and Italy and at which there were also present in addition to the last three, Field Marshal Keitel and the Italian Marshal Cavallero. The fundamental object of both is the same and it has now become an urgent subject for discussion. A crisis is threatening the Axis. And wherever the Fuehrer turns he finds dark serious trouble developing steadily and surely. On his eastern front the Russians, thrice "annihilated" since June, 1941, are striking blow after staggering blow allowing Herr Hitler no time to effect any kind of appreciable recovering. He is reeling under the impact of knocks from Rzhev to Tuapse and he is bleeding profusely from many wounds. On his western front not much is happening. But its very quietness constitutes for him a great strain on nerves. And what does happen causes him considerable material damage in addition to increasing his nervousness.

Then there is the African front. Field Marshal Rommel is fleeing with his battered Afrika Korps through Tripolitania with no hopes of making a stand against the Eighth Army anywhere in Libya. In fact, it is reported that the Axis have already written off Tripolitania, too. In Tunisia the situation is better. But a broadcast from the Axis controlled Paris radio reports the imminence of an attack by a reinforced and much strengthened Allied Army. This attack may yet take time to materialise and success in any case is not going to be quick or easy. But the eventual expulsion of the Axis from Tunisia is certain. Herr Hitler knows this and realises the consequences of Allied control over the north African coast and the Mediterranean. And he also knows the consequences to Italy and Italian morale of all this. This is one of his worst headaches. Hence the conference. But what can he do to ease his own worries and rescue Italian Fascism? He can certainly use Laval. But the utmost Laval can do is to supply him with forced labour and perhaps a few thousand "volunteers" from a country where many more thousands of Nazi troops are needed to protect it and its Lavals from its own people. The Fuehrer may try a "diversion" through Spain. But General Franco himself is no more able to fight than Laval. He will have to be armed, equipped and supplied by the Fuehrer. Can Herr Hitler afford to spare resources at a time when calls upon them have suddenly increased?

A Sober Judgment

The acquittal of the president of the Allahabad Muslim League by the appellate bench of the Allahabad High Court of the charge of "exciting disaffection and hatred against the Government", is welcome at a time when the executive, on the score of "war emergency", is in a hurry to secure convictions even in cases of the slightest provocation or disaffection against established authority. Both the Chief Justice, Sir Iqbal Ahmed, and Mr. Justice Dar, refuse to take the alarmistic view which commends itself today to the executive everywhere in India, and have made some sane observations which the latter should note and digest.

The accused was alleged to have said publicly that the British policy had all along been one of 'divide and rule', that the British Government always sided with the Hindus and that for this reason the Muslims were forced to make Pakistan their goal. In dealing with these remarks the Chief Justice rightly pointed out that "the essence of the crime of sedition consisted in the intention with which the language was used" and that in arriving at the conclusion as to the intention of the accused in making the speech "the court must have obviously regard to the class of the audience to which and in the circumstances in which the speech was delivered and must then decide as to the probable effect of the speech". His Lordship also emphasized the need to read the speech as a whole and not pause upon an "objectionable sentence here or a strong word there". The dominant intention of the speaker, as justly pointed out by his Lordship, was to advocate the scheme of Pakistan and not to bring into hatred or contempt or to excite disaffection towards the British Government. "The argument might be fallacious and its logic might be open to question, but this alone could not justify the conviction", remarked His Lordship truly, and in this view the Chief Justice was fully supported by Justice Dar. Sane and sober views of this nature require to be taken by the Indian judiciary in cases of a political complexion at the present juncture in the affairs of the country. If both the executive and the judiciary stretch the law in the so-called interests of "peace and order", there is no knowing where they may land the country by undermining public confidence in the purity and integrity of justice.

The Jap Reacts

Things are unmistakably livening up on India's north-eastern front. The small scale operation in western Burma is reported by New Delhi to have made some more progress, but without the Japanese offering any opposition. It is hardly likely that the Japs will continue to fall back in this way for long because further south there is the important port of Akyab which they must and will try to protect. In any case the present British move in itself remains unimportant. But its general significance has been felt by the Japanese. And the first actual raid on Calcutta may be interpreted as a quick reaction to it. In weight and results the Jap attempt appears to have been a weak one. But it shows a realisation on the part of Japan of the necessity of doing something, and it also shows a certain amount of nervousness. We should not be surprised, therefore, if the present actions and reactions resulted presently in a considerable flare up on the Burma front. We would welcome it because there is no reason to doubt that the Allies are definitely stronger than the Japs now and because strategic operations for the relief of China are already long overdue.

'C. R.' CRITICISES SIR C. P.'S INCONSISTENCY REGARDING FEDERATION

MADRAS, Dec. 21.

Mr. Rajagopalachariar in the course of a statement says:—"Rt. Hon. S. Sastri and Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri welcome the Viceroy's statement. Obviously they do not mind the unbroken maintenance until the end of the war of the 'status quo.' They would prefer direct Anglo-Saxon rule with all its defects and occasional lapses from the reign of law to the claims and difficulties and concessions involved in an unprotected voyage of freedom with a doubtful crew. Their nervousness about the future is greater than their dislike of the present insults and miseries. This is their true position and I can understand it.

I am glad, however, that many eminent men among their friends and colleagues do not share this view. They have arrived at the strong conviction that it is dangerous to allow the present condition of affairs to continue till the end of the war. They have also given up the hope after all that has happened, of having a strong Central Government in Free India without making the concession which the Muslim League demands.

I do not mind being opposed by my fellow workers in the Hindu Mahasabha but I cannot understand a geographical unity stunt raised by a Dewan of an Indian State who refuses to the subjects of the State political or administrative homogeneity with the rest of India.

Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer is a protagonist of the Princes' rights of non-accession. He claimed, and I believe still claims, that every Indian State has an indefensible right under ancient treaties to refuse to accede to Federation. If the Princes of these administrative islands can, according to him, even without reference to their people, claim the right of keeping those areas isolated from a Federated India until agreement is reached to the satisfaction of each one of them is it not grossly illogical to deny to the people living in Provinces marked red the same right?"

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari adds: "If one desires a National Government to protect the people from untold wartime misery and at the same time more effectively to organise the defence of the country one cannot rest content with an empty formula of geographical unity, the real meaning of which is that the present state of things must continue unchanged."—A.P.

Frankly Speaking

French Ships For Allies

The Darlan affaire will eventually have to be settled in a manner satisfactory not to the opportunist Admiral but to Fighting France. In the meantime, however General Eisenhower's deal is producing results which are by no means unimportant. The value of a more or less peaceful Allied occupation of French Morocco, and Algeria is already obvious. Dakar is a powerful acquisition to the anti-submarine cause of the Allies. Moreover, Admiral Cunningham has expressed the hope that the French fleet will shortly join the Allies; indeed, he stated that some of the units based in Dakar are already taking part in patrolling the French west African coast. And now General Eisenhower has announced that all French merchantships in African ports have joined the Allies. This recalls to us Mr. Churchill's statement in his recent broadcast that the Allies have secured more merchant shipping in North Africa than they lost in the expedition. It is a great gain.

Mr. Amery's "Best Man"

Mr. Amery's fulsome eulogy of the new incumbent in the post of Chief Justice of India and his description of Mr. Spens as the "best man" for it will raise but an amused smile among most Indians. The very fact that Mr. Amery could not point to any single specific qualification of Mr. Spens, such as past administrative experience in the judicial sphere or brilliant professional career as a lawyer or outstanding scholarship as a jurist, which would stand him in good stead in a country like India, shows that it was probably some other undisclosed reasons arising out of the party affiliations of Mr. Spens that led to his being foisted on India. Surely, it is an insult to the average British or Indian intelligence to suggest, as Mr. Amery does, that there are at present either in Great Britain or in India no persons better qualified to occupy the exalted post of Chief Justice of India than this so-called 'best man.' As we observed when the selection of Mr. Spens was first announced, there are over a score of Indians whom we could name, whose scholarship, judicial experience and legal attainments would entitle them to occupy the post with greater justification than Mr. Amery's "best man."

Cheap Praise

The Indian public have long since ceased to put any faith in or value on Mr. Amery's pronouncements, however, high-sounding they may be, for they have learnt to know, from their said experience, that he is out really to hoodwink the world regarding India and Indians. If any other person, more obscure than Mr. Spens, had been pitched upon by the Tory party-machine, Mr. Amery, we dare say, would have equally readily and glibly described him as the "best man" for the job! Indians have passed the stage when they could be beguiled by such cheap praise! Mr. Amery's blatant description of Mr. Spens as the "best man", like the bookman's advertisement of his "best seller" and the film company's description of its "greatest thriller ever produced", will leave Indians cold, though it may pass muster with the unthinking few. By the way, is there really such a dearth of talent in Great Britain at present that Churchill, Amery & Co. should send out to India their "best men" like Spens and Colville? But for some eleventh-hour hitch, it is more than probable that a third "best man" also would have been foisted on India and made to occupy the "viceregal gadi" in place of Lord Linlithgow.

TROUBLE IN ALBANIA

Italian Troops Drafted Into Capital

LONDON, December 21

The Morocco radio reports that Italian troops have been drafted into Tirana, the capital of Albania, to quell the disturbances caused by the patriots there.

A large crowd assembled in front of the Palace occupied by the Commander of the Italian garrison. After demonstrating against the Italians, they stoned palace and broke most of the windows.—Reuter.

IN AHMEDABAD

School Board To Sack Thousand Teachers

Through A.P. And U.P.

AHMEDABAD, December 21.

The new School Board of the Ahmedabad Municipality decided to-day to discharge about 1,000 permanent teachers in Municipal employ on the ground, that attendance of pupils at the schools continues to be poor and municipal property is being destroyed for the last four months without evoking any word of protest from the citizens.

The School Board has already discharged about 200 acting teachers in Municipal employ, when school attendances were affected.

POLICE OPEN FIRE AT NADIAD

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 21.

The police opened fire last night near Nadiad on some persons engaged in an act of sabotage, according to a report received here which states that one person was injured while the others ran away.

REVENUE TALATI MURDERED

AHMEDABAD: The Revenue Talati of a village was murdered. It appears that a crowd armed with lathis and other weapons attacked the Talati yesterday afternoon. He died on the spot.

A police contable was attacked by some persons in the city today. His purse was snatched away.

Stones were thrown at a Municipal school and its furniture was damaged.

POLICEMAN INJURED

One policeman was slightly injured when stone-throwing was indulged in on Kalupur Relief Road. Stones were also thrown on a Municipal school. Slight damage was done.

POONA SEARCHES

POONA:—The Poona police searched the residence of a local student and seized some plaster busts of Indian leaders from the place. The police are also understood to have carried out a search of another place in the city and are reported to have seized some prejudicial correspondence.

Messrs. Vishwasrao Tavare and S. V. Kelkar, who were arrested and detained on a charge of taking out a Ganpati immersion procession in defiance of the prohibitory order of the District Magistrate have been released.

SANGLI: An unsuccessful attempt was made to snatch away the mail bag from a postal runner going from Miraj to Malgaon. Some prejudicial leaflets were seen pasted in public places in the city.

SATARA: About ten mail bags forcibly taken from a postal runner going in the Debhewadi area near Karad.

EXPLOSION IN DISTRICT MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE

KOLHAPUR: An explosion occurred in the compound of the District Magistrate's office. No damage to life or property was caused. An armed dacoity was committed in Hingangaon.

VILLAGE 'DAFTARS' SET ON FIRE

BELGAUM: Village 'daftars' were set on fire in the villages of Muglihall, Chikangroli, Hireanagaroli, Handur and Goshanhati, all in Khanapur Taluk. The records of the Village Panchayat at Manavali were damaged by fire. Baburao Kamat and about a dozen other persons were put under arrest for alleged sabotage. The school building and Dharamshala in Pachapur were damaged by fire. Government 'Chawdis' at Betser and Niralhati were set on fire. The school building at Hirebagwadi and a rest-house at Hulikati were damaged by fire.

BOMB FIND IN SURAT

SURAT: Twelve country-made bombs were seized and five persons were arrested when the police carried out a surprise raid last week in the city.

GOVT. EMPLOYEE ARRESTED

NASIK: Mr. Shamrao Sakharam Deore, a clerk in the Irrigation Department was arrested yesterday under the D.I.R. He has been kept in police custody pending further enquiries. Mr. V. G. Yardi against whom a warrant of arrest was pending since August 9, was arrested at the residence of Mr. Deore on December 15 last. A Congressman has been arrested from Panchavati under the D. I. R.

WNTED PERSONS ARRESTED

PATNA: Two of the absconders wanted in connection with the Fatwa murder case have been arrested at the Patna Railway junction.

Chandradip Sarma wanted by the Biksam police was arrested last evening by the jail staff while loitering in a suspicious manner near the Phulwari Camp Jail. After arrest he was made over to the Kotwali police for necessary action.

MALDA: Mr. Dyuti Bhar Roy has been awarded six months' R. I under the D. I. R. on a charge of holding illegal and unauthorised meeting at Balupur, P. S. Ratua. Mr. Roy was tried with 25 others. Eight of them were acquitted and 15 sentenced to three months' R. I. Some of the accused were released on execution of bonds to be of good behaviour.

DIBRUGARH: The court house in North Lakhimpur was set on fire recently. Some records and files were burnt. The patrol squad finding smoke issuing from a room, had it opened and extinguished the fire. Mr. Lokenath Phookan, a former Mouzadar, who was arrested on the allegation of burning the Gourisagar inspection bungalow, was let off, but subsequently arrested under the D. I. R.

ANAND ASHRAM HEAD ARRESTED

CALCUTTA: The police have arrested three persons including the Spiritual Head of Anand Ashram on a charge of putting up a structure dangerous to public safety and storing inflammable articles in contravention of the D. I. R.

It may be mentioned here that a gymnastic show was organised under the auspices of Anand Ashram on November 8 in a structure which caught fire resulting in about 250 persons being killed.

ARMED DACOITY

SHOLAPUR: An armed dacoity was committed in the house of a Sawkar, Mr. Pandhri Naik Govardhan, at Barshi.

Tokyo And Osaka 'Changes To Close

LONDON, Dec. 21.

"The Wall Street Journal" says that the Japanese Government has decided to close Tokyo and Osaka Stock Exchanges. The paper adds that the heavy declines on the Stock markets after midway, accentuated since the second battle of the Solomons, have provided the reason for the move.—Reuter.

RIGHT TO SUE FOR DAMAGES IS "PROPERTY"

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Chagla)

Bhagwanji Morarji Goculdas ..... Plaintiff

Versus

The Alembic Chemical Works Co. Ltd. and Others ..... Defendants.

The first defendant company was incorporated in 1907. On 7th December 1907 it entered into an agreement with the firm of Kotibhasker Amin and Co., appointing the latter its Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents. The plaintiff became a partner in that firm on 31st March 1922, by virtue of an assignment. In October 1939, the partners in the Agency firm of Kotibhasker Amin and Co., were the plaintiff and one Bhailal D. Amin. On 5th October 1939, Bhailal assigned his share to his son the second defendant. On being informed of the assignment the Board of Directors of the first defendant company resolved that the Agency Agreement had come to an end on 5th October 1939, by reason of that assignment and appointed a committee of two Directors to manage the Agency affairs pending final arrangements. Aggrieved by this, the plaintiff filed the present suit for damages from the first defendant company for breach of the managing agency agreement which he assessed at Rs. 9 lakhs on the basis that the managing agency commission earned by Kotibhasker Amin and Co. amounted on an average to about Rs. 50,000 annually for the last several years in which the plaintiff had a half-share.

A preliminary objection was taken on behalf of the first defendant company to the effect that the firm of Kotibhasker Amin and Co., not having been registered under the Indian Partnership Act, 1932, the plaintiff's suit was not maintainable. On behalf of the plaintiff it was contended that this was a suit "to realize the property of a dissolved firm" which was saved by Section 69 (3) (a) of the Partnership Act from the requirements as to registration. In answer to this counsel for the first defendant company relied on Section 6 of the Transfer of Propertdy Act and Section 60 of the Civil Procedure Code and urged that a claim for unliquidated damages for breach of contract was not "property" at all and therefore could not be saved by Section 69 (3) (a).

On 8th December 1942, his Lordship delivered a separate judgment on the preliminary issue in favour of the plaintiff. His Lordship observed that it was admitted by the first defendant company that the agency firm was dissolved before the suit was filed. His Lordship pointed out that the whole scheme of Section 69 (3) (a) of the Partnership Act was to enable partners of a dissolved firm to realize all its assets while the effect of accepting the first defendants' contention would be to make it impossible for partners of an unregistered firm to sue for damages even after dissolving the firm if any of the partners refused to get it registered His Lordship was of the opinion that when Section 6 (c) of the Transfer of Property Act laid down that a mere right to sue could not be transferred and when Section 60 of the Civil Procedure Code laid down that it could not be attached those Sections did not seek to define all kinds of property but merely laid down what kinds of property could be transferred or attached. His Lordship then referred to Halsbury Vol. 4 Page 424, to the case of Appaya v. Subrao (39 Bom. L.R. 1214), and to Section 52 of the Presidency-towns Insolvency Act read with Section 69 (3) (b) of the Partnership Act and held that a right to sue for damages was an actionable claim and therefore "property", and that the paintiff in filing this suit for damages for breach of contract was exercising his right to realize the property of the dissolved agency firm of which he was a partner, and that although the firm was not registered the plaintiff's suit was maintafnable.

The suit was then heard on the merits and on 16th December 1942, his Lordship deliverred the final judgment.

His Lordship examined critically in the judgment the various clauses of the Agency Agreement. With regard to the personal covenant by the original partners of the Agency firm to discharge their duties faithfully and well, his Lordship observed that it could not be enforced against the new partners and therefore to hold that the new partners could enforce the Agency Agreement would make it lack the important and necessary element of mutuality. Moreover, it showed that the office of Managing Agents called for personal qualifications and confidence. Referring to the clause of the Agency Agreement which defined "firm" as "the members or member of the said firm of Kotibhasker Amin and Co. for the time being", his Lordship observed that some nexus or identity must be established between the old firm and the new one and that as soon as Bhailal Amin, the only remaining original partner assigned his share on 5th October 1939, that nexus was broken. His Lordship also rejected Mr. Taraporewalla's argument that by reason of the clause in the Agency Agreement, which stated that on death or retirement of a partner the first defendant company "shall" execute a fresh Agreement, if necessary, whatever the complexion of the Agency firm and however much it might change, unless fraud was proved, the first defendant company was bound to appoint them by a fresh Agreement. His Lordship observed,

"In giving such a construction to the Agreement I would be undoubtedly conferring upon this partnership an attribute which is peculiar to a corporation for in effect this partnership would have perpetual succession."

His Lordship further held that Section 87 B (c) of the Indian Companies Act newly added in 1936 had no application to the facts of this case and that the Proviso to that Section merely preserved the existing rights of manaaing agents and did not confer any rights which they did not possess under the Agency Agreement.

His Lordship then dealt with the argument advanced on behalf of the first defendant company that the Managing Agents having absented themselves from 5th October 1939, had not been ready and willing to perform their part of the contract and therefore could not get damages. His Lordship was of the opinion that it was open to the first defendant company to justify the repudiation on any other ground which existed at the date of breach and that it was not confined to the ground stated (62 I. A. 89 and (1923) A.C. 48) but such ground must go to the root and amount to an abandonment of the contract. His Lordship held that however negligent the plaintiff was in discharging his duties, he had not abandoned the Agency Agreement and that the first defendant company having repudiated the contract no question of the plaintiff's readiness and willingness arose.

His Lordship therefore held that on the assignment of 5th October 1939, the Managing Agency firm ceased to exist, the Agency Agreement came to an end and that the plaintiff's suit must therefore be dismissed.

Mr. V. F. Taraporewalla, Mr. C. K. Daphtary and Mr. K. T. Desai instructed by Messrs. Dikshit Maneklal and Co. appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. F. J. Coltman, Sir Jamshedji Kanga, Mr. M. C. Setalvad and Mr. A. C. Amin instructed by Messrs. Amin Desai and Nanavatty appeared for the first defendant company.

Mr. P. S. Badami and Mr. M. S. Vakil instructed by Messrs. Dhru and Co., appeared for the second defendant.

Mr. Y. B. Rege and Mr. J. Menezes instructed by Messrs. Dinkerao Nandlal and Patwari appeared for the third defendant.

Mr. R. S. Parikh and Mr. R. B. Kantawalla instructed by Messrs. Kamdar and Co. appeared for the seventh defendant.

Australian Record In Papua Campaign

Jap Patrol Wiped Out: Allies Attacked Sananda Area

Our correspondent with the United States Troops in New Guinea cables: The occupation of the Cape of Endaiadere is the result of one of the most decisive engagements of the entire Papuan campaign.

The Australian troops within a few hours of the campaign knocked out a strategic sector which, the Americans not so strongly organised could not achieve.

Wounded Japanese troops continued firing on the attackers but with little effect.

The Japanese now only possess two salients in Papua both of which have been surrounded.

The surrounded Jap forces are bitterly resisting every Allied attack.

Attack On Buna Airfield

LONDON, Dec. 21.

Reuter's special correspondent at Allied advance base in South-west Pacific writes: For the first time Allied tanks went into action during the launching of the general attack on Buna area. Details of the type of these tanks are not yet available, but the attacking force is known to be a joint United States and Australian one. Preceded by the usual artillery barrage, the attack was directed against the main Buna air field which is still in Japanese hands.

General McArthur's spokesman said that some ground was gained in assaults against low and concrete pill-boxes, including some of concrete with steel tops. The Japanese have a tunnelled system of entrenchments throughout the air field and obviously the job of dislodging them will prove laborious. In other sectors, some ground was gained, and near the mouth of Gira river, north of Gona, an Allied patrol wiped out a Japanese patrol capturing the regimental flag. The Allies are still attacking Sananda area where two machine-gun nests were put out of action.

Advance base in New Guinea:—It is revealed that the tanks used by the Allies for the first time in their attacks on Buna area are 'General Stuart' light tanks manned by all Australian crews.

Test Cricketer Missing

ADELAIDE: — The Australian Test match wicket keeper, Charlie Walker is reported missing in air operations over Germany. Walker was an air gunner and arrived in England a year ago.—Reuter.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"The Secretary of State emphasised the absolute necessity of the occupant of the post of Chief Justice being a man who from his knowledge and capacity would be able to settle knotty points which will continue to arise under any constitution which India may devise for himself."

—London report of a dinner to Mr. W. P. Spens, Chief Justice-designate of India.

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Mr. Wendell Willkie is sure that China, Russia, the Middle, and the Near East—he didn't include India because he was very wisely made to bypass this country—will not accept an Anglo-American world.

Then what the hell are they fighting this war for?

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Sir M. Visvesvaraya complains that through lack of Government interest India missed the opportunities of industrial development which Canada, and Australia for instance, utilised during this war.

Is it due to lack of Government interest or because of anxious interest?

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Sir M. Visvesvaraya fears that at the end of the war India might again be exposed to the fury of an international economic war.

He is wrong. He may rest assured that Messrs. Churchill and Amery and the rest of our trustees are doing everything to strengthen India's defences against any international contact.

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The following exciting report has been received from London: "A new flagship of the Royal Indian Navy is being made for service."

That conjures up a majestic picture of a battleship, a heavy cruiser or at least an ultra modern light cruiser, doesn't it? If so blot it out.

The new flagship of the Royal Indian Navy is—a 1,200-ton sloop which is a poor relation to the old, slow destroyer.

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By the way, this Royal Indian Navy's flagship was honoured by Mrs. Amery who "named her Narbada, smashing a bottle of Empire wine upon her blows as she began to move from the docks."

How very appropriate it all was!

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And to complete Reuter's account of the great event, here is another thrilling extract about the flagship:

"I walked about the sloop's deck through the cabins, only shells as yet but bearing chalked names showing their ranks: "Admiral's Cabin" and "Admiral's Pantry" they said".

It is painful to think that Reuter's Special Correspondent couldn't therefore have been able patriotically to help himself to a bottle of Empire wine if not in the Admiral's Cabin at least in the Admiral's Pantry.

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Speaking at an 'Id' function Sir Sikandar Hyat is reported to have advised responsible officers in the Punjab to approach their problems not in the communal spirit but as Punjabis.

The Punjab Premier richly deserves a court martial by the Muslim League. At least the Quaid-e-Azam should announce his expulsion from Pakistan.

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Herr Hitler is reported to be in conference with his German and Italian military chiefs, Field Marshal Keital and Marshal Cavellero, as also Goering, von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano.

It's not known whether heart and nerve specialists were in attendance as a precaution.

But the report adds with a rather cruel irony: "Mussolini was not present."

GOVERNOR'S DAUGHTER WEDS

MADRAS, Dec. 21.

The marriage of Miss Jean Hope, daughter of H. E. Sir Arthur Hope, Governor of Madras with Mr. Anthony Paul of the 52nd Light Infantry attached to the Rajputana Rifles was solomnised this evening at the Mylapore Cathedral.—A.P.

For Municipality's Attention

Miss P. N. Nariman, Jt. Hon. Secretary, Social Workers' Society, has issued the following statements to the press.

As far back as 1937 we had drawn the attention of the Municipality regarding sanitary amenities in their chawls at Falton Road, where the Bhaiya employees of the municipality reside in the most shocking, overcrowded condition. There are only two taps for about 40 Bhaiyas, no closed bathrooms and, above all, no lavatories. These Bhaiya tenants of this chawl and other Patra chawl, numbering about 75 use public lavatories just opposing the chawls. We do not think that the tenants of any private chawls would ever be allowed to use public lavatories and the public would ever tolerate such a nuisance. We are deeply grieved to state that the municipality for years has kept her tenants without necessary sanitary amenities and secondly she has made these tenants use public lavatories. We are of opinion that the municipal chawls regarding sanitary and other amenities, should be above criticism and it is not the work of Social Workers to continuously go round these chawls and complain to the municipality.

One of the cement chawls at Falton Road is under repairs and more than 600 men, women and children, belonging to the families of municipal scavengers, are being accommodated by the municipality in insanitary huts. The work of repairing will go on for four months and till then, these poor people have to live in these sheds and as no sanitary amenities have been provided they are using five taps and latrines of the ground floor of the chawl. May we ask whether tenants of any other chawls would undergo such privations for four months? Do not the municipal officers realise that they should provide some more taps and temporary latrines? Just because these people are municipal employees and dare not complain they should be kept in such conditions? We beg to appeal to the Municipal Commissioner and the Health Officer to take necessary action about our above complaint.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Dec. 21.

The local market opened weak to-day on Calcutta news but soon displayed steady tone. The market opened Rs. 428 for L.C.C. January and advanced to Rs. 432/8 under scattered buying which met renewed selling and prices steadied at Rs. 428/8. It may be said that heavy short covering during the past week weakened the technical position but we do not look for any important decline for the present. Later on there was increased selling and prices declined to Rs. 424 at this level there was moderate covering and prices improved to Rs. 426/8. Daily Trading hours are changed from 12-30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturday 12-30 p.m. to 3-30 p.m. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

L. C. C. January	Rs.	424 8 0
L. C. C. March		423 0 0
L. C. C. May		427 0 0

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BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Dec. 21.

The news of raid on Calcutta had a slightly depressing effect on the local Stock Exchange where Tata Steel shares recorded some decline. The opening decline attracted buyers and prices recovered few points but at higher levels there was no follow-up on the buying side and under scattered selling prices sagged, however the tone of the market was fairly steady. Cotton Mill shares were comparatively steady with a marked absence of selling.

Tata Steel Dfd. shares opened at Rs. 1640 against last closing at Rs. 1723 and improved to Rs. 1670, but reacted to Rs. 1660 Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 345 and after advancing to Rs. 348 quietened at Rs. 347. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1685 and were quoted at Rs. 1680 Century Mill shares were done at Rs. 613 and Associated Cements were quoted at Rs. 202.

The local Share Bazar will remain closed for the X'mas and New Year Holidays from Thursday the 24th inst. to Sunday the 3rd Proximo.

The market finally closed as under:—

TEXTILE SECTION.

Ahmedabad Advance 406; Bharat Mills 78/8; Bombay Dyeing 1670; Central India 388; Century 606; Colaba Land 231; Dawn 1110; E. D. Sassoon 3-3 1/2; Finlay 315; Gokak 342/8; Hindustan 3725; Ind. Manfg. 3500; Ind. Bleaching 234; Indore Malwa 755; Khatau 352/8; Kohinoor 587; Lakshmi 1157/8; Madhowji 21/12; Minerva 175/10; Model Nagpur xd 310; Morarji 810; Mysore 167/8; New Great 359; Phoenix 645; Podar Mills 275; Sassoon Silk 105; Sholapur 8400; Simplex 264/8; Svadeshi 449; Swan 288; Tata Mills 54/12; Vishnu 2200; Western India 3275.

INSURANCE SECTION.

Bom. Life 162/8; Empire Life 675; Ind. Mercantile 72; Indust. and Prudent 34; Jupiter 15/12; New India 58/8; Oriental 4410; Vulcan 11/2.

HYDERABAD AND ELECTRO SECTION.

Ahmedabad 192/6 Ajmere 13/7; Atd Valley Ordy 1775; Bom. Tram Ordy 142; Bom. Suburban 180; Broach 13/8; Karachi 225; Poona 225; Surat 265; Surat New Rs. 50 Pd. Prem. 70; Tata Power Hydro 185/8; Tata Power Ordy 1660.

BANK SECTION.

Bank of India 155/8; Baroda 129; Bom. Provincial 57/8; Central Bank 37/4; Imperial Bank F.P. 1650; Imperial Bank P.P. 395; Reserve 103; Union 7; Habib 75.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

7 per cent And. Val. 1655; 6 per cent Bom. Steam 350; 7 per cent Bom. Tram 78/8; 6 per cent Central India 682/8; 6 1/2 per cent Jupiter 16; 6 1/2 per cent Surat 193/12; 6 1/4 per cent Prem. Cost. 1st 125; 6 1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 2nd 125; 6 per cent Tata I. and S. 1st 213/12; 7 1/2 per cent Tata I. and S. 2nd 133; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1655; 1655; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 165; 7 per cent Vishnu 775.

DEBENTURES.

4 per cent And. Valley 104/12; 4 per cent Tata Power 105; 5 per cent Shol. Rs. 64/Pd. 72/12; 6 per cent Marsland Price 113/8; 4 per cent Tata Chemical 166.

RAILWAY SECTION.

Ahmedabad Prantej 921/4; Cent. Provinces 108; Dhond Baramati 105; Gujerat 106; Hoshiarpur Doab 102; Mandra Bhon 106; Mymensing Rebate 101; Mymensing Gtd. 105; Pachora Jamner 99; Sara Sirajganj 104/8; Sialkot Narowal 115/8; Sialkot New 48/8; Sind Light 75; Upper Sind Light 114.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION.

Alembic Chemical 310; Alcock Ashdown 575; Asso. Cement 204; B.B. Petrol 2-1 1/4; Bel. Sugar 225; Bom. Burma Old 332/8; Bom. Burma New 115; Bom. Steam xd. 420; Ind. Radio Ordy. 367/8; Ind. Radio Defd. 360; Invest. Trust 56; Prem. Const. 141/8; Port Canning 89; Scindia xd 24/8; Shivrajpur 55; Tata Ordy. 341/8; Tata Defd. 1622/8; Tata Chemical 23; Tata Oil 77; Wimco 307/8; Burma Corp. 2/12; B.I.C. Ordy 5/15; Ind. Copper 2/2; Ind. Iron 31/14; Steel Corp. Bengal 22/8; New Vict. Ordy 8/1.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Dec. 21.

Tata Ordinary 347; Tata Deferred 1650; Indian Iron 32; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 23; Bombay Dyeing 1675; Central India 390; Century 611/4; Gokak 236/4; Kohinoor 611/4; Simplex 266; Andhra Valley 1777/8; Tata Hydro 186/4; Tata Power 1670; Associated Cement 203/8; Belapur 225; Bombay Burma (old) 332/8.

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, Dec. 21.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

Since 1st September.

In full-pressed Bales.	18-12-42	This year.	Last year.
Khandesh	880	25,312	13,129
Central India	.....	10,021	6 502
Barsi and Nagar	.....	6,839	15,543
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	2,760	622
Berar	.....	45,758	39,155
Central Provinces	.....	5,973	13,563
Total Oomras	880	96,663	89,514
Dholeras	.....	6,004	12,647
N.-W. Provinces	.....	414	949
Rajputana	.....	.....	279
Sind-Punjab	3,809	151,592	134,775
Broach	.....	16,237	14,427
Coompta and Dharwar	303	51,434	5,494
Westerns-Northerns	.....	14,829	5,411
Cocanada	.....	.....	.....
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	.....	14,240	7,397
Arr. by road to 10th Dec. 42	.....	13,500	17,500

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LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON

MARCH

New York, Dec. 21.

Previous closing	18.94
To-day's opening	18.97
Difference	+03

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Dec. 21.

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	not received

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Dec. 21.

Previous closing 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers.

To-day's opening 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers.

To-day's closing 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON COMMODITIES

SEEDS.

London, Dec. 21.

Castorseeds Bombay December/January (£29 quoted) unquoted.

Linseed Calcutta December/January (£25 quoted) £26 quoted.

Linseed La Plata December/January unquoted.

Groundnut Coromandal December/January East Coast Indian shipment (£27 1/2) £27 1/2 quoted. West Coast Indian shipment (£30 quoted) £30 quoted.

LONDON METALS

London, Dec. 21.

Electric Copper (£62) £62

Lead (£25) £25

Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD

London, Dec. 21.

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, Dec. 21.

Spot (23 1/2) 23 1/2d

Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London, Dec. 21.

London on Bombay (1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers. New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.

4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.

6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 21.

The London Stock Exchange was firm to-day.

AUSTRALIAN LOAN

5 per cent Commonwealth £101 1/8

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent British Consols £81 3/8
3 per cent Conversion Loan £106 1/4
3 per cent Conversion Loan £100 7/16
4 per cent War Loan £113 5/16
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £104 1/2
3 per cent War Loan £102 1/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds £115 7/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 23-4 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 46-0
Electric Music Industry 18-10 1/2
Princhin Johnson 30-9
Imperial Chemical 36-4 1/2
Woolsworth Ordinary 59-0
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate £79
Dunlop Rubber 33-6
Unilever Ordinary 33-6
Ford Motors 31-6
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £75 1/4
British American Tobacco Ordy £4 31/32
Carrears 'A' £5 7/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £7 5/32
P and O Defd 31-3
Distillers 84-0 ex div.
Bredford Dyers 14-7 1/2
British Celanese 15-0
J and P Coates 41-3
Courtaulds Ordinary 45-0
Fine Cotton Spinners 16-0
Vickers Limited Ordinary 17-10 1/2
Inter Nickels 46 1/4
Indian Iron 53-1 1/2

TEA SHARES

Assam 20-10 1/2
Donaro Tea 34-6
Rubber Plant 20-5

JUTE

Barnagore £5

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo-Dutch 13-9
Gula Kelampong 9-0
Rubber Plant 18-0

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 20-0
Burma Corporation 5-10 1/2
Rio Tintos £10
East Rand Properties £1 31/32
Rand Mines £7 1/8

MINE SHARES

Crown £9 1/8
Associated Portland Cement 53-9
Trinidad Leasehold 74-4 1/2
Sub-Nigel £5 15/16
Spring Mines plit Shares £0 29/32
Union Corporation 145-0

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 34-4 1/2
Anglo-India 78-1 1/2
Burma Oil £2 3/4
Mexican Eagle 11-3
Shell Transport £3 7/32
Royal Dutch £85 3/8

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £87
London Midland Ordinary £22 3/8
London North Eastern Defd £4 3/8
London Southern Defd £23 1/2
London Transport 5 per cent £128
London Transport 'C' £55

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Dec. 21.

The local Bullion market was quietly steady with a moderate business but later on trading was difficult and nominal quotations were as under:—

GOLD.

Ready	Rs.	64	4 0
1st Settlement		64	0 0

SILVER.

Ready		99	8 0
1st Settlement		98	0 0

Madras Share Market

MADRAS, Dec. 21.

Following are the closing quotations on the Madras Stock Exchange:—

Sugars and Breweries: Deccan Big 260; Deccan Small 61; India Sugar cd 12/4; Mysore Sugar 61; South Indian cd 13/8; Travancore cd 15.

Plantings: Cochin Malabar xr 15/6; Chembra Peaks 9/6; Coorg 54/8; Cochin 21/12; High Produce 39; Kalpettas cd 39/12; Kalas 12/10; Malankara 80; Midland cd 15; Ouchterlony 10/4; Peermade 41/8; Rajgiri cd 15/6; Travancore 21/6; Vaikundam 18/12; Vellamali 21/12; Vellitam cd 15/6; Travellitam cd 37/7.

Textiles B and Co ord 288; Balasubramania 111/8; Cambodia 30/4; Coimbatore P Spg cd 221; Coimbatore Pioneer 358; Dhanalaxmi 44/8; Jardhana 172; Kaleeswarar 540; Lakshmi 20/8; Kothari Tex 20/8; Mettur 248; Madura 62/4; Pankaja 273; Palani Andavar 186; Rajalakshmi 210; Radhakrishna 354; Trichinopoly 23; Vasantha 275;

Miscellaneous: And. Cement 96; Bruntons cs 13/12; Indian St. Roll 7; Mysore Lamps 19/4; Mysore Chem and Fert 22; Mysore Paper 20/4; Mettur Chem xd 22/8.

ABOLITION OF NEW SCALES OF WAGES

B. B. C. I. Railwaymen's Demands

"Adequate increase in the present rate of dearness allowance, fixation of basic wages, security of service after the war, abolition of the new scales of wages, supply of food-stuff are the outstanding demands of the railway workers, which require immediate attention of the Railway Administration with a view to fulfilling them", observed Mr. Guruswamy, General Secretary of the Railwaymen's Federation while presiding over the 23rd Annual Conference of the B. B and C. I. Railway Employees' Union, held at Ajmer.

The Conference was attended by over 50 representatives from all over the line. Dr. J. N. Mukerjee, Chairman of the Reception Committee, welcomed the delegates. Messages wishing success to the Conference were received from The General Manager of the B.B. and C.I. Railway, Mr. R. S. Nimbkar, Mr. Banker, Chief Medical Officer, B.B. and C.I. Rly., Sir Leonard Wilson, Mr. S. C. Joshi and others.

SIR EDWARD BENTHALL ON FOOD TRANSPORT

TRIVANDRUM, December 20.

The assurance that if there were foodstuffs available in any area for being sent elsewhere, the necessary transport facilities for moving them to their destination could be arranged, was given by Sir Edward Benthall, Member for War Transport in the Viceroy's Executive Council who paid a flying visit to Trivandrum in the course of his tour of all the leading railway centres and ports of India.

Sir Edward said: "Ever since August last, when the food position became rather difficult, instructions were issued to the various railway administrations of the country to give priority to food supplies and these instructions were being carried out effectively.—A.P.

Sikandar-Sarkar Agreement Over Wheat

LAHORE, Dec. 21.

It is understood that the informal discussions this afternoon between Mr. N. R. Sarkar, Commerce Member, Government of India and Sir Sikandar Hyat Khan related to the situation arising out of the control of wheat and other commodities. As a result of these discussions an agreement over the question of wheat is expected to be arrived at between the Government of India and the Punjab Government.

Sardar Baldev Singh, Development Minister, Punjab, also participated in the discussions.—A. P.

CURTAILMENT OF TEXTILE EXPORTS?

NEW DELHI, Dec. 21.

The possibility of drastically curtailing the exports of textiles from this country is being actively considered by the authorities here. This question is being examined in connection with the abnormal rise in the prices of cotton and other textiles in recent months. An early announcement is expected.—A. P.

Car-Travelling To Be Drastically Restricted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.

The President of the Congress industrial organisations, Mr. Philip Murray, transmitted to the Manpower Commission on Sunday night a seven-point programme drafted by the union for the mobilisation of manpower for war production during 1943. The programme calls for complete correlation of agencies contracting for war production with the Manpower Commission.

The Chairman of the office of War Production Board Mr. Donald Nelson warned the United States on Sunday that still more drastic restrictions on travel and shipment of goods are on way.

He said: "Mobility of consumers will be greatly restricted both of necessity and by consumers' choice. Travel by car is due for restrictions much more drastic than those to-day. Travel by common carrier will be increasingly inconvenient and in some instances not permissable."—Reuter.

Muslim League To Meet In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

The next session of the All-India Muslim League will most probably be held in Calcutta during the coming Easter holidays. Correspondence between Mr. Jinnah and the Provincial Muslim League reveals that the suggestion for holding the League session in Calcutta came from Mr. Jinnah himself; it is reliably understood that in his recent letter to Maulana Mohamed Akramkhan Mr. Jinnah wanted to know if Bengal League could shoulder the responsibility involved in holding the League session there. After consultation with leading League members available in Calcutta, Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, Secretary of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League, has communicated their readiness, despite the remote possibility of enemy's sporadic air activities on Calcutta, and invited the League President to call the next session here.

The Provincial League holds that Bengal's claim in this respect is irresistible as Assam, Behar, Orissa, Madras, United Provinces and possibly Bombay and Punjab will lend their wholehearted support to it.—Orient Press.

IN AID OF INDIAN & BR. TROOPS

Southern Army Entertainment presented Southern Army Follies in "Over To You" on Monday night, which will continue till December 28 at the Garrison Theatre, Dhobi Talao, in aid of Indian and British troops.

The hall was packed to its capacity.

PARLEYS AT HITLER'S H. Q.

Speculations About Some Dramatic Nazi Move

LONDON, Dec. 20.

Reuter's military correspondent writes:

Consultations at Hitler's headquarters may be taken to portend some new dramatic move.

Hitler has two alternatives: He can either strike east through Turkey in order to threaten Egypt and the Caucasus from the south, or make a descent through Spain to close the straits of Gibraltar and cut the Allied communications with North Africa.

The first plan offers the reward of the Baku oilfields, a possibility of severing the Mosul pipeline and attacking Egypt from the east.

But it would certainly meet with the vigorous resistance of the Turkish army.

The occupation of Spain would have the advantage of all French railways and motor roads and facilitate questions of supply.

If Gibraltar could be immobilised the problem of Allied supplies to North Africa would be seriously menaced; German bombers at Algeciras would make the straits practically unserviceable and Casablanca very unhealthy for Allied shipping.

The probabilities, therefore, seems to point strongly to an adventure in the Iberian Peninsula.

MUSSO REMAINS ABSENT

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent writes:—

The meeting at Hitler's headquarters seems to have been of unusual importance. With one exception all the principal Axis leaders, military and political, were called into confabulations which mark a crisis in the war.

The exception was Mussolini. His absence is another indication of the manner he is being displaced by his ambitious son-in-law Count Ciano.

It is clear that Laval was summoned to be subjected to further pressure in the solution of the question of labour supply.

Laval's return to Vichy will undoubtedly be followed by another wave of measures designed to strengthen collaboration between France and the Axis.

It is to be expected that the Axis leaders were faced with some specific proposals which demanded prompt and vigorous action.

Whether these plans will involve defensive strategy or a new offensive along untrodden routes will no doubt transpire very soon.

Neutral neighbours of the Axis will, meanwhile, have cause to feel deeply concerned until it is clear what the Axis plans may be.—Reuter.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

I'd like to take a small, sporting bet that within six months as from to-day, there will either be Indians-in-uniform in the European Gym. or it will be put out of bounds. Would any member of the Gym. like to take it? I'll even go so far as to make a bottle of Nasik whisky as the stake! Your brand, sir.

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I see the "Sentinel" is against Darts, Dice and Cards. By Gad, Sir, as Colonel Blimp might have said, these are national games! Darts for England, Dice for the U. S., and Cards for the Cricket Club! Have a heart, Mr. Horniman, think of the war-effort.

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Overheard at the Badminton Championships:

1st Society Lady: "Who is this missionary, Sister Babs, mentioned by the "Sentinel's" Sports Correspondent?

2nd Society Lady: "I suppose she must be from the St. Theresa Convent."

1st Society Lady: "Impossible."

2nd Society Lady: "Then maybe she's from the Sofia College."

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MUTT AND JEFF—Mutt May Be a Horticulturist But He Doesn't Know His Onions — By BUD FISHER

HERE'S SOME MORE OF MY GREEN SPECIAL, MUTT!
M-M'S GOOD! YOU'RE COOKING BETTER ALL THE TIME!
WELL, I LIKE TO TRY NEW THINGS!
WHAT IS THIS UNUSUAL GREEN STUFF YOU MADE? IT'S GOOD!
REMEMBER THE GIANT PRIZE GERANIUMS YOU PLANTED IN THE FLOWER GARDEN? THE ONES YA SAID LOOKED SO GOOD YOU COULD EAT 'EM?
YEH!
WELL, YOU ARE! THEM'S THEM!
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SCARCITY OF FOOD-STUFFS IN BOMBAY

City Fathers Strongly Criticise Govt. Inaction

BOMBAY, Monday.

The Municipal Corporation on Monday, in the Special Meeting, passed the resolution drawing attention of the Government of Bombay to the great hardships caused to the public in getting food-stuffs in the city. It was hinted by more councillors than one that if the situation was not remedied immediately there might occur food riots in the city.

Mr. D. V. Pradhan moved the following resolution:

That the Corporation view with grave concern the critical situation arising out of the acute shortage of daily necessaries of life in the City and to the very great hardship caused to the public in obtaining quantities much below their daily requirements.

That the Presiding Authority of this Meeting be requested to forward a copy of paragraph 1 of this Resolution to Government and to invite their attention to the possibility of grave disturbances prejudicial to public safety in case the situation is allowed to continue further and to request them to take immediate steps to relieve the same.

That a copy of this Resolution be also forwarded to the Representatives of the Corporation on the Food Advisory Council with a request to take up the matter in the Council and to report to the Corporation the steps taken by the Council in the matter.

ADVISER'S DOPES

Mr. Pradhan said after the war began, the Municipal Corporation requested the Government to control food prices because the situation then was getting from bad to worse. The situation to-day was the worst the city ever had faced and he apprehended that unless prompt measures were taken, there might be food riots in the city. Mr. H. F. Knight, Adviser to the Governor, he said, had kept the public through press interviews on dopes that there was sufficient food-stuff in the city and there was no cause for anxiety but now the city finds itself in a serious predicament, for want of food-stuffs of any kind. The policy of Government in not releasing food-stuffs was very wrong and he expressed a hope that Government would meet the situation in the city well by releasing a large quantity of grain, etc.

Mr. M. V. Donde in seconding the resolution suggested to adjust export of food-stuffs from various provinces by proper transport facilities.

MIRAJKAR'S AMENDMENT

Mr. S. S. Miraikar said that the present situation had arisen owing to the policy of the Government, which encouraged profiteering and speculation, hoarding of food-stuffs and black markets. He therefore moved an amendment to add to the first para of the resolution to request Government to take steps to prevent hoarding, to control stocks and to afford better railway transport facilities.

Mr. Zoolmiram Chowdhary seconded the amendment. Mr. M. N. Talpade said if Government could bring the sugar situation under control within a few days, he failed to see why they should not appease the public feeling by supplying large quantities of grains too.

PROVINCIAL JEALOUSY

Dr. P. H. Mehesheri pointed out the difficulties of the Bania shopkeepers. The Banias, he said, got only four bags of grains in all per day which included rice wheat, jowar and bajri. It was not possible for them to supply to a number of customers from this small supply.

Mr. A. P. Sabawala said the shortage of food-stuffs was due to remarkable internal provincial jealousy. Some of the provinces had abundance of food-stuffs but they would not part with the same and export to other provinces, although food-stuffs went in large quantities to Persia, Iraq and Ceylon while sons of the soil starved. The Government of Bombay, he suggested, should agitate and plainly tell the Central Government that if Bombay Province did not get food-stuffs, they would not supply cloth to the Central Government.

Dr. S. P. Mehta and Mr. Mirza Akhtar Hussain also spoke and the amendment of Mr. Mirajkar was put to vote and thrown out. The original resolution was carried.

Export Of Foodstuffs From India Must Stop At Once

Indian Business Community's Concern Communicated To Government

CALCUTTA, Dec. 15.

The Committee of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry met this morning in Calcutta under the Presidentship of Mr. Gagan-vihari L. Mehta at the office of the Indian Chamber of Commerce.

SIR SHRI RAM'S DONATION

The President announced at the meeting a munificent contribution of Rs. 1 lakh given by Sir Shri Ram for the construction and equipment of a hall for the use of the Federation in New Delhi. The Committee accepted the offer and put on record their cordial thanks for the donation. They further decided that the hall when constructed should be named after Sir Shri Ram.

The Committee decided to hold the 16th Annual Session of the Federation on the 6th and 7th March, 1943.

EXPORTS TO AFRICA

Among the important questions that were considered by the Committee were the activities of the United Kingdom Commercial Corporation, the proposed establishment of Utility Textile Importing Corporation in East Africa, attitude of the Government of India with regard to the adjustment of accounts in respect of supplies made to India under the Lease-Lend procedure and the goods and services given to the American forces stationed in India under the reciprocal Lease-Lend by the Government of India and the problem relating to the supply of foodstuffs to the civil population in various parts of the country.

The Committee discussed at length the grave situation that has arisen in the country as a result of shortage of foodstuffs and decided to express their serious concern about it. It was suggested at the meeting that the Government of India should be called upon to take immediate measures to relieve the situation by complete stoppage of exports of foodstuffs from India and by taking active steps with the help of His Majesty's Government to import sufficient supplies of wheat from Australia.

CLOTH REQUIREMENTS

At the instance of Sir Shri Ram, the Committee took up consideration regarding the supply of cloth for the bare civil requirements of the country. In view of the Government's increasing war requirements which have left a small margin of supplies for civilian consumption the Committee felt it necessary to impress upon the Government of India the advisability of putting an embargo on the export of cloth from India as also to economise its use by the military authorities.

It was further suggested that the manufacturers and industrial labour should be exhorted to increase the production of such type of cloth as would supply the immediate requirements of the public. The Committee decided to issue an appeal to the public to economise the use of cloth wherever possible so as to make it available to the masses.

The question relating to the payments of claims to Indian merchants and evacuees arising out of the losses in Burma under the Burma War Risks Insurance Scheme was fully considered and it was decided to make further attempts by approaching the Government of India for early payments of these claims by the Government of Burma.

WELLINGTON:—New Zealand's horror at "the shocking and inhuman cruelties perpetrated against the Jewish people in Europe by their German oppressors" was expressed by the Prime Minister Mr. Peter Fraser.

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INSPECTOR WADE — THE DOUBLE — BY EDGAR WALLACE

GET READY... INSPECTOR WADE IS CLIMBING THE ROPE....
12-30
I GOT A FEELIN' SOMETHIN'S PHONY, JIM... WHERE'S TH' GIRL?
WE CAN'T STOP NOW, DON.
AS THE SPIES WAIT TENSELY, BETTE'S HEAD BEGINS TO CLEAR....
SOON INSPECTOR WADE ENTERS THE TRAP...
WHA-- WHAT'S HAPPENING?
HER QUICK MIND GRASPS THE SITUATION; SHE RUSHES FOR THE WINDOW, SCREAMING!
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